

## **EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER**

## Bureau of Land Management California

EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF Rocky Bar Road and Public Lands Surrounding the Middle Fork of the Cosumnes River impacted by the Caldor Fire

Action: Pursuant to Section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 [43 U.S.C. 1733(a)], 43 CFR 8360.0-7 to 43 CFR 9268.3 and 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby provides notice that the public lands described below and shown on the attached map are closed to all forms of public access. This closure is for public and employee safety in relation to the risks associated with the Caldor Fire, including hazard trees and the potential for erosion, flooding, road hazards and debris flow in the burned area.

Affected Areas: BLM lands in El Dorado County, in the Middle Fork of the Cosumnes River in the Caldor Fire Burned Area. These lands are between Grizzly Flats Road (to the north) and Slug Gulch Road (to the south). They are west of the Eldorado National Forest and east of Ant Hill Road. This includes Rocky Bar Road, where it crosses BLM lands. See attached map. These lands are approximately 5 miles west of Grizzly Flats, CA and 2.5 miles southeast of Somerset, CA.

**Prohibitions:** The public must not enter the closure area. All uses within the closure area are prohibited. Exceptions to these prohibitions are noted below under Supplemental Information.

**Dates:** This closure will go into effect at 9:00 am on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, and will remain in effect until rescinded.

**Supplemental Information:** The following persons are exempt from the provisions of this Order:

- 1. Any Federal, State, or Local Officers, or member of an organized medical rescue or firefighting force engaged in fire, emergency, or law enforcement activities, or public utility employees engaged in emergency response.
- 2. BLM employees, contractors, or agents engaged in official duties.
- 3. Individuals operating within the scope of their official and legitimate governmental duties.
- 4. Parties who carry written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer allowing access to the described public lands.

**Penalties:** Any person who violates this may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 3571, and imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Vehicles found in violation of this order may be removed.

Signed by:	
ELIZABETH MEYER-SHIELDS	Digitally signed by ELIZABETH MEYER- SHIELDS Date: 2021.10.04 09:33:08 -07'00'

Field Manager Date